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APPLICANT: Hideaki SUZUKI et al. CONF.: Unknown  
SERIAL NO.: 09/715,172 GROUP: 1641  
FILED: November 20, 2000 EXAMINER: P. DO  
FOR: IMMUNOASSAY OF HUMAN MEDULLASIN AND DIAGNOSIS OF  
MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS USING THE SAME

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

December 20, 2001

Sir:

In reply to the Examiner's Office Action dated June 20, 2001, the period for reply having been extended three months to December 20, 2001, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

IN THE ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE:

Please replace the Abstract of the Disclosure with the rewritten Abstract of the Disclosure located below:

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE (amended)

There is provided an immunoassay by which the amount of human medullasin present inside granulocytes, which are one leukocyte component in blood, can be determined with high accuracy and with